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MEMORANDUM FOR

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SUBJECT: National Policy on Granting Access to U.S. Classified Cryptographic Information

The attached proposed National Policy for Granting Access to U.S. Classified Cryptographic Information has been approved by the National Telecommunications and Information Systems Security Committee (NTISSC) and forwarded to the National Security Advisor for review and approval.

The policy reinstates formal cryptographic access and was developed in recognition of the need to insure that the human element be considered when determining access to cryptographic information. Your comments and concurrences by July 5, 1988, would be appreciated. Upon receipt of your comments, you will be advised as to proposed changes, if any, in the policy.

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In accordance with NSDD 145, the Secretary of Defense is designated as the Executive Agent of the Government for Telecommunications and Information Systems Security. Upon your concurrence, the proposed national policy will be forwarded to the Secretary of Defense for implementation.

Find Paul Schott Stevens
Executive Secretary

Attachment

Tab A National Policy for Granting Access to U.S. Classified Cryptographic Information